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On Monday, 13 June, a meeting was held at the Map Library to discuss the [REDACTED] working paper entitled "Recommended Procedure for Inclusion of Map Library Index Records in [REDACTED]", dated 8 April 1966. Participants were:

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The following points were discussed:

(1) The Map Library was generally in agreement with the suggested approach up through Stage I, but indicated that they would be unable to provide the transcription support called for in Stage II because of cutbacks in their clerical manning. The role played by the Page Reader as a substitute for keypunching was clarified. [REDACTED] was agreeable towards implementing Stage I (i.e., exploiting keypunched data in Machine Division) on an experimental basis, but wanted to defer a decision on the Stage II approach until the effectiveness of the earlier version could be observed. Three alternatives to transcription by ML/OBI were identified, namely (a) that [REDACTED] provide a clerical slot to the Map Library, (b) that the Stage I procedure be perpetuated; or (c) that transcript sheets be forwarded in their current format for re-transcription within [REDACTED].

(2) Map Library personnel expressed skepticism regarding the applicability of the broad area coding system postulated by [REDACTED] for map indexing.

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(3) [REDACTED] indicated that merely furnishing map citations would probably not suffice in motivating users to procure maps. He requested that [REDACTED] provide a referral 25X1A2g service to the Map Library by furnishing names of requestors and their subject/area interests in order that ML/OBI might take the initiative in bringing their reference service to the users. It was agreed that an attempt at such an arrangement would be made part of the Stage I experimental effort.

25X1A9a (4) The possible application of the SKAN publication to maps was introduced as another potential avenue for publicizing the map reference service. The Map Library currently prepares their own Weekly Accessions List for newly acquired maps. [REDACTED] expressed an interest in reviewing the first few issues of the SKAN publication before passing judgement on its applicability to the Map Library. In the 25X1A9a meantime, [REDACTED] agreed to investigate the effectiveness of the current practice of including maps in the Intelligence Publication Index.

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